TOPICS IN CALIFORNIA.

UNPRECEDENTED RAINFALL-REAL ESTATE BOOM-CHINATOWN.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] San Francisco, Dec. 14.—The unprecedented rain. storm has been the chief topic of the week. Nothing like the rainfall has been seen here since '49. The total rainfall for the season here is nineteen inches; while the lowest is through the San Joaquin Valley, where the rainfall ranges from four to eight inches. All through the central and northern parts of the State the rain has been exceedingly heavy. The floods in the Sacramento Valley, although far less destructive than those of ten years ago, have excited more attention, because of the number of small farmers and fruitgrowers who have developed lands along the Sacramento River. The levee system was as nearly perfect as the best engineers could make it; but two weeks' steady rain, with snow in the moun. tains, so swelled all the streams that nothing could prevent bad breaks at many points. Colusa and Chico were the only towns that were seriously meraced, and these were saved by extra precautions. Sacramento, the capital, was never in any

The loss to small farmers will be heavy; but large ranch-owners, like Senator Fair and others, who sow thousands of acres to wheat, expect to be flooded two years out of five. In only a few places have buildings and bridges been carried away by the force of the current. The greater part of the ranches are simply a few feet under water. If the weather continues dry all this vast sea of water which now covers the valley will be gone within a week, and the farmers will return to their homes and begin to put in another crop.

Ex-Senator Fair and James Phelan have been heavy purchasers of business property in Front, Davis and Drumm sts. The completion of the new sea-wall has given a beem to that portion of the city, which has been greatly neglected, and prices have doubled within a single year. Real-estate speculators are now buying largely in the sandy tract, just south of Black Point Military Reserva-The crosstown cable-roads, it is expected, will lead to the building up of the district, which is pleasant and accessible, but which has been cut of from communication and exposed to the nuisences of swill-milk dairies and acid-works.

A new system has been adopted for ascertaining the available water supply of the river basins of the Coast, in order to select sites for reservoirs. The streams have been divided into classes, and a type of each has been selected for measurement. State Engineer Hall has devised a plan for estimating the velocity of streams, which plan greatly reduces the cost of such estimates made by Professor Henry's electric wheel. The latter method required a boat, and the transportation of boats in the mountains was difficult and expensive. Mr. Hall's plan is to stretch a wire across the stream and suspend an instrument from it. One may thus measure the velocity of the largest stream.

The Chinese are beginning to learn the ways of American defaulters. Hitherto the unpardonable sin among the Mongolian business men was to embezzle money or to owe any creditor at the Chinese New Year. But all this is changed. One of their leading merchants has absconded to China with more than \$27,000 belonging to his firm, and the creditors attached his stock of goods, which was too bulky for him to take.

Since Mr. Bonner's visit it has become the fashion for New-Yorkers with a taste for the turf to run down to Senator Stanford's Palo Alto stables, look at his likely young thoroughbreds, and pick up a yearling with a good record. Among the latest to join this procession is E. F. Coe, a wealthy Orange County horse breeder.

One of the worst rookeries in Chinatown was One of the worst rookeries in Chinatown was condemned this week as unsafe; but the owner proposes to contest the matter in the courts, as the Fire Department has pronounced the structure not dangerous. This will probably be made a test case. If the Health Board is defeated, it will be impossible to improve the condition of Chinatown or to check the danger of a destructive fire. Should the courts uphold the owners of the rookeries, the city will be forced to deal with Chinatown as New-York did with the Feve Points—let in the sunlight with broad streets.

Points-let in the sunnight with the Eastern It is expected that a large number of Eastern fruit-growers will attend the convention of the State Board of Horticulture next March, in Los State Board of Horticulture next March, in Los State Board of Horticulture what promises to be the largest citrus fair ever held in California

The capacity of the beet sugar factory at Alvarado, across the bay from San Francisco, will be doubled next year. The beet crop this season was below the average, but the yield of sugar was unusually large. This factory has no connection with Spreckles's company.

The Sacramento Society of Pioneers has issued to the fund for the purchase of Sutter Fort. Eighteen thousand dollars are needed to buy the property. It is the intention to restore the old fort without injury to its historical feat-

IN BUSY HARTFORD.

THE FREE LIBRARY-NEWS OF THE CHUROHES -AN INCONVENIENT RAILWAY STATION.

Hartford, Dec. 14 (Special) .- The offer of \$275,000 toward the founding of a free library in this city which came from several well-known gentlemen, induding Junius Morgan, the London banker, is in danger of lapsing, because of the inaction of the citizens in accepting the conditions. These were in sub stance that the sum should be increased by total subscriptions to \$400,000. The committee having the matter in charge has not taken the public into its con fidence, so that the exact state of the fund is not known. It is certain, however, that Mr. Morgan will not hold the offer open much longer, as it has now been pending since June, 1888. Unless something shall be done very soon the opportunity will slip by and there will be no library.

The Rev. Dr. George R. Van De Water, who has been interested in the Advent mission, under the auspices of the Episcopal churches here, has made public the astounding statement that he finds more drunkenness among women in Hartford proportionately than he has found in New-York, Glasgow or Dublin. This statement has aroused the feeling of the people to a This great extent, and there is a loud call for more efficient inforcement of the law against drunkenness, and also for a police matron for the care of female prisoners in the police station. No authority has as yet ventured to question Dr. Van De Water's statement.

The resignation of the Rev. Charles E. Stowe from the pulpit of the Windsor Avenue Congregational Church is rather a surprise. It was known that his pastoral work, the care of the property interests of his mother, Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe, and his work for the past year and a half upon her biography, have been a severe strain upon his nervous system, but I was not until he visited Florida, in November, that he himself began to realize the broken condition of his bealth. The relations between pastor and people are of an unusually amicable nature. His resignation must, of necessity, be accented.

The Board of Trade and the Consolidated Road have been having a bout over the inconveniences of the new Union Railway Station. So far the road has the bost of the situation but by all odds the worst of the argument. The experiment of an overhead station for so large a railroad centre as Hartford is one that was by no means the choice of the people of the city. But such was the design of the road itself, and the Board of Trade thinks it ought to do the very best it can with the station to make it as convenient as It is at present a long way from that, The delays in the matter of checking and receiving baggage are most annoying, owing to insufficient accommodations. The system of fencing off one track from all the others in order to make safety more apparent is looked upon as a nulsance, and the approaches from the waiting-room to the trains are no: liked at all. Indeed, it would not take much provocation for the people of the city to agree unanimously that the station is for convenience the worst in the

"The Connecticut Home," the Prohibition organ, which has bad its publication office in Williamntie, announces that it will henceforth be published in Hartannounces that it will henceforth be published in Have ford, and that a company with a capital stock of \$15,000 will back up the venture. This has not been a pecupiary success although the editor, Mr. Lincoln, has put a great deal of hard work into it. The Prohibitionists have contributed to its support in lump sums during campaign times, but the subscription list the disadvantage of mistaking rural Willimantic for the centre of the State.

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to the doors every evening, and the lodge bids fair to make a goodly sum of money from the venture.

H. R. Hayden, well known in insurance circles as the editor of "The Underwriter," has been appointed by the Census Bureau to gather the statistics relating to insurance.

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The coming week Hartford is to have Sarasate and d'Albert in grand concert at the Opera House. There has been little of musical interest here thus far this season if the concert of Otto Hegner be omitted, and that was given to an audience which only half filled

THE BROTHERHOOD UNEASY.

DESERTIONS FROM IT REASSURE THE LEAGUE.

BASEBALL CHAT ON VARIOUS SUBJECTS-A BROOKLYN REGIMENT TO PLAY

The delegates to the Brotherhood or Players' League convention, which will be held at the Fifth Avenue Hotel to-morrow, have been arriving in the city for the last three days. The early comers are mostly players and why they should show so much unnecessary haste is something which they themselves do not care to divulge. The club owners agree that their old players are growing restless and uneasy, and that it will be only a month or so before the Players League will give up the ghost and most of the men will go back to their old clubs. The steady desertion of the players from the Brotherhood at this early stage has or will have its effect both upon the other players and upon the moneyed men who are furnishing the sinews of war. Of course the leaders, Pfeffer, Ward, O'Rourke, Keefe, Hanlon Brouthers and others, are working earnestly in their cause and doing all they can to make their fellows keep the original agreement. Still the crisis is almost and soon There will either be a stampede to g back into the League, or the Brotherhood will be placed on a sounder footing than it is at present. Tonorrow's Players' League convention will have to do more than the one held several weeks ago did. If at this meeting a permanent organization is not effected, officers elected and the committees appointed, it will be impossible longer to conceal the organization's weakness from the general public. Director Haynes, of the new Boston club seems to be the most popular candidate for the presidency. Chicago will also send an applicant for the place. There is some uncertainty about who will get the place of secretary. The local Brotherhood officials say that Manager Harry Wright, of Philadelphia, is a candidate for the place in spite of the fact that he indignantly denies the report.

The club owners are, of course, jubilant over securing some of their old players, but they are happier still in the belief that the courts will sustain them in the injunctions which they intend to get against the other players who deserted them. There has been a decided change in the feelings of the managers during the past week. There is no doubt now that the club owners firmly believe that they will be able to compel their men to live up to the agreements in their last year's contract. They acknowledge, however, that they cannot compel the players to sign similar contracts next season binding them for 1891. No contracts now are considered of secondary importance, as the general opinion is that if the Players' League is broken up, it will never be resurrected, John B. Day looks cheerful and healthy, and seems positively to have gained flesh in the last ten days. Mr. Day is a man on whose face trouble always shows itself. He looked despondent and pale a few weeks ago, but since the League Committee's conference with Evarts, Choate & Beaman, the lawyers, the ruler of the Giants has taken on his usual hale and hearty look. "I feel much encouraged," said he last night, "and I don't think the Brotherhood has one chance in one thousand to carry out its scheme. think that every one of our old men will play with us I don't say that the League will next season. discipline the leaders in this movement, but I would not be surprised to see some of them taking tickets at the tubustiles next season, instead of playing ball. We can't release those players, for their contracts will not permit. We will have to pay them their salaries."

The 13th Regiment, of Brooklyn, promises an inne vation in the line of baseball. Arrangements are being made for the organization of a league among the men of that regiment to play baseball in the armory in the evenings. The games will be played by gaslight.
The National League rules will be used with a few exceptions. The bats are to be made of light wood, the lighter the better, but will be of the regulation size. The players will wear canvas shoes with rubber soles, to prevent slipping on the floor. The regulation nine innings will be done away with, and a game will consist of one hour and thirty mimutes' play, the team be the winner. A ball hit into the left gallery will count for full two bases, while a ball hit into the gallery at the end of the hall will count for a home run. Every foul ball caught on the fly, including a foul tip, will be an out. If the ball strikes the celling or side wall, and is afterward caught by a player, the play will be called a fair catch.

The as in athletic circles. Just twelve years ago these young men held a little consultation in the Sandford B. Pomeroy, who was a prominent bisecular to these young men held a little consultation in the Knickerbocker Cottage at No. 456 Sixth-ave. They were primarily responsible for its origin, and excluding a polite and energetic waiter, were the only four people present at the meeting.

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The new regimental league will make a firm stand in regard to protecting its umpires. There will be so many guns and bayonets lying around loose that it was decided that stringent rules ought to be made The umpire's decisions will be final in all cases. The team which disputes a decision will lose one of its runs for the first offence. For a repetition of the crime the player will be fined or ordered from the field, or rather the armory. No man can play un-less he is a regular member of the company to whose team he belongs. The ball used will be of a novel The foundation will be a lawn-tennis ball, around which will be wound yarn until the regulation size is reached. The ball will be covered with leather and will weigh two ounces less than the regulation ball. The Board of Directors of the new league will be: Sergeant Nash, of Company F, chairman ; porporal Allen, of Company K; F. R. Barnard of Company I; Kimball, of Company G; Chewer, of the Cadet Corps; Zoovey, of Company B; Lieutemant Crollins, of Company F, and Brotherhood, of Company H. Games will be played on Mohalays, Wednesdays and Fridays, while an exhibition game will be played on every thord squaday in each month, when an admission fee will be charged. The pitcher's box will be a rabber mat.

The famous old Polo Grounds at One-hundred andtenth-st, and Fifth-ave, have at last been wiped out and the "Aldermen's revenge" is complete. The old diamond has disappeared and even the fences grand-stand have been carted away. Just \$17,000 was spent on those stands, and when they were sold for old lumber, the other day, they brought \$135 The fences cost \$5,000, and at the sale the lumber thi \$50. The big building at One-hundred and-st, and Filth-ave, where so many parched throats been dampened, brought \$500. The little frame next door, which was used for the same pur-was sold for \$25. pose, was sold for \$25.
The regiet over the destruction of the old Polo Grounds wil, however, be forgotten in a few years, when handsome homes will dot the old field.

WINTER DAYS AT NEWPORT.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL NOTES. Newport, R. I., Dec. 14 (Special).—The cottagers who are spending the winter here are delighted with the weather. No snow has fallen, and there has scarcely been any ice. The hill residents are quietly enjoying them-soives, and they occasionally make flying trips to New-

York and Boston. Roland King has returned here from a two weeks' visit to Lakewood, N. J., and he will reside during the winter at the Griswold cottage.

Miss Whipple, granddaughter of the late Governor Thomas Swann, of Maryland, will be married to B. Powell, son of John Hare Powel, early in January. The eremony, which will take place here, will be attended by the elite of the place.

Harry Ocirichs has entirely recovered from his serious Amos T. French, a member of the pelo club, has been lected treasurer of the Manhattan Trust Company of New-

Miss Taft, of Providence, is the guest of Mrs. Charles

Mrs. Julia H. Eldredge, of New-York, will occupy her villa at Ochre Point all winter.

The engagement of the eldest daughter of Bishop Potter,

of New-York, to C. H. Russell, Jr., has been announced here, where the young couple summer.

Commander A. D. Brown, U. S. N., and wife are guests

of the Rev. R. B. Peet, of Emanuel Church. Miss Mand Sievens has sailed for Europe. Extensive alterations and improvements are being made of the cottages on Kayest, owned by Mrs. Grace T. Turnbull and Captain M. C. Marin, U. S. N. the late General Israel Vogdes, U. S. N., who died in New-York last week, was formerly in command of the 4th

Henry A. Taylor, of New-York, who owns a villa here has imported a large herd of cattle from the island of uernsey, and they are new at his farm near this place Mrs. R. M. Blatchford, of New-York, has quit-claimed her cottage on Beach-st. to Robert S. Hone, of the same

Artillery at Fort Adams in this harbor.

Mary A. Stevens has purchased that portion of the Bateman estate owned by Mrs. Harriet B. Almy, of New-

J. Van D. Reed, of New-York, has paid \$27,700 for the on Bellevue-ave, owned by Edward M. Padelford, CHERRY DIAMOND ATHLETES. | the rest of the membels, immediately excavated

SKETCH OF A POPULAR ORGAN-IZATION. THE FOUNDING AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE

MANHATTAN ATHLETIC CLUB. HAPPENINGS WHICH LED TO ITS ESTABLISH-MENT-WHAT ITS MEMBERS HAVE DONE

IN THE FIELD-THE NEW CLUB-HOUSE SOME OF ITS FAMOUS

REPRESENTATIVES. The development of amateur sports in New-York and its vicinity has taken place almost entirely within the last twenty years. The New-York were among the contestants. Athletic Club came to life in 1866. Before that time the Caledonian Club was the only association regularly organized athletic club is a poor place

The Manhattan Athletic Club, one of the most popular institutions of its kind in the country, owes its existence to four young men whose names adopted. At first there were no distinguishing

and laid out the grounds. A cinder track was laid out an eighth of a mile in circuit, and in the spring of 1878 the gates were thrown open to the public for a series of exhibition games. From that date to the present time there has been no doubt about the prosperity of the Manhattan Athletic Club.

The hearts of the Manhattans beat high on that opening day, and 200 chairs were hired which to seat the spectators. The rental of those chairs cost \$25, and this gigantic sum, coupled with the other expenses, threatened to give two or three of the members heart disease. Handsome medals were given to the competitors, although the entrance was free. McEwing, LaMontagne, Wilmer, Holske and Armstrong, famous athletes at that time,

The four-story stone mansion at No. 524 Fifthave, was then secured for a clubhouse. The club in New-York devoted to general athletics. Now is still located there, but expects to take posthe number is great, and the city without its session of its handsome new clubhouse, in Madion-ave., in the early spring.

The selection of a club emblem caused much discussion before the famous cherry diamond, now so conspicuous at all athletic gatherings, was



THE NEW MANHATTAN ATHLETIC CLUB CLUB-HOUSE

are as well known in mercantile and professional colors, the members simply wearing on their

Robert B. Culbert had a discussion as to their relative abilities as pedestrians. As a result, a five-mile walking race was arranged and took place at the American Institute Fair Building. Victor and the vanquished were so well pleased with their effort that they looked around for new opportunities in which to show their athletic ability. The Scottish-American Athletic Club was then one of the most prominent clubs of its kind in the city. One of the young men mentioned above determined to join this club, and sent in his name for that purpose. A slight technical obstacle arose and his application was not enter-tained by the club. The young man, keenly sensi-ble to the rebuil he had received, withdrew his application and vowed that he would establish as athletic club which would not only equal that which had refused his application, but would in time be its superior in every way.

Shortly after that the four young men called a meeting and invited many of their friends to be About forty persons were present, and before the meeting was adjourned a new athletic club had been formed. It was named after Manhattan Island. At that meeting twenty persons at once signed the roll, and the Manhattan Athletic Club has been one of the institutions of New-York ever since.

THE CLUB IS INCORPORATED. In the following spring the club was incorporated by George W. Carr. George W. Thomas,

George D. Parmly, Sandtord B. Pomeroy, W. C.



President GEORGE W. CARR.

France, jr., Henry P. Pike, W. H. Griffin, John Fraser and E. G. Gurney. The bright young men connected with the organization recognized that if they wished successfully to compete with the older clubs and to give new stimulus to local athletics, they would have to institute some new features in their club, or to start out in some new direction. It was an ambitious move for so young an organiation, but the members determined at once to establish a track and grounds within the city limits, and as soon as their financial condition warranted it, to build a clubhouse, suitable for club, gymnasium and social purposes. The committee appointed for the purpose had many weary tramps over Manhattan Island before the well-known grounds at Eighth-ave, and Fiftysixth-st, were secured. The work of fitting up the grounds and meeting the necessary expenses was a heavy burden for the athletes, and rival organizations predicted that with such unheard of extravagance the Manhattan Club would not live a year. The founders, however, had plenty of pluck, and with the financial encouragement from



EDWARD DEGROVE LANGE

effect. The cherry, or "double diamond," as it is sometimes called, is new synonymous wit club name both in America and in England. A DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW CLUB-HOUSE.

A new epoch in the history of the Manhattan Club was begun last July, when the cornerstone of the home for athletes was laid at Madison-ave, and Forty-fifth-st. Work on the new structure is going on empidly, and the new club-house will probably be ready for occupancy by May 1, It will be six stories high, and on the roof will be a garden running the entire length of the

It will be six stories high, and on the roof will be a garden running the entire length of the Madison-ave, side.

Iron and stone are the chief materials used in construction, the style being Romanesque. The lower story is of heavy granite, and above are courses of dark Belleville brownstone, red stone, chocolate brick, chocolate terra cotta, and the cornice and roof being of red terra cotta.

The rifle ranges, swimming bath, Rossian and Turkish baths and bowling alleys will be found in the basement. The ground floor will be uniquely arranged for the several purposes intended. The parlor and reception rooms can, when occasion requires, be thrown open as one immense room. On the second floor will be a concert hall, with excellent stage and baleony arrangements. The room will be two stories high, and will have a scating capacity of about 600. The space, back of the stage and above and in front of the hall will contain offices. Card rooms, living and reception rooms, elaborate dining-rooms, will be located on the top floor, as well as the gymnasium, which will be 160 by 65 feet. There will be a 12-lap running track around the gymnasium. The kitchen will be in the rear of the roof garden. The main entrance will be on the Madison-ave, side, the other entrance leading to the concert hall. Mayor Grant laid the cornerstone of the new building on July 9.

As in all ciuds a slight diversity of opinion atose a few days ago over the selection of certain officers. The electioneering is now over, the successful ticket ratified and the cherry diamond looks down upon a happy brotherhood of athletes. While considerable electioneering is done for minor offices, the club is generally unminimous in its choice for the chief officers, George W. Carr, president, and C. C. Hughes, secretary. Certain officials are elected for five years, but the consti-

president, and C. C. Hughes, secretary. Certain Certain tution may be changed next year in this respect.

"Unity is Strength" was never better exemplified than in the history of the Manhattan Athletic Club. The policy originally adopted has been strictly adhered to, and even in the selection of officers there have been few changes from year to year. George W. Carr, the bright young attorney, whose office is in the Drexel Building, has held the office of president continuously since the club's organization. It would be a difficult matter to secure a more complete indorsement of club management.

A WEEK OF SHAKESPEARE

NEW PRODUCTIONS AND OLD PLAYS AT THE CITY THEATRES.

It is not often that New-Yorkers are favored with a theatrical production so complete and perfect in every detail as that of "King Richard III." at Palmer's every detail as that of "King Richard III." at Palmer's to morrow night promises to be. Mr. Management.

A RECORD TO BE PROUD OF.

In Mr. Carr's address at the laying of the cornerstone of the new club-house, he said that the Manhattan Club had been the first to establish athletic grounds within the city limits. He also asserted that the M. A. C. had done much to encourage athletic ability and to send athletes



take part in contests abroad in which champion to take part in contests abroad in which champion-ships were won. In every contest since 1879 in which the club had taken part, Mr. Carr was proud to say that the club had the honorable distinction of having won the title of champion. "And now we will have the linest club-house in the world," said President Carr yesterday. "The objects of our club will be as heretofore, to supply sports, recreation, exercise and amuse-ments which will tend to make the members

supply sports, recreation, exercise and nirusesments which will tend to make the members morally, physically and intellectually better men and more useful citizens.

"We have about 600 members now, and that number will probably be increased to 1,500, our present limit, as soon as we move into our new quarters. The athletic condition is, in better shape to-day than ever before. An additional interest is constantly appearing.

"A committee of gentlemen called upon me the other day to discuss a topic to which I shall give some attention. Their idea was to encourage general athletics in the public schools, and I think it a very good one. If the scheme materializes, regular championships could be arranged. Athletics play an important part in all the private schools, and I cannot see why it should not apply to the public schools as well. The health and development of pupils in the public school ought to be considered."

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George A. Avery is the chairman recently appointed to look after new grounds, as the club may be forced to vacate its present grounds at any time. There is a building craze on the West Side and land in that part of the city is very voluable. Just where the new grounds will be located is not yet decided, but when the site is secured the grounds will be made the finest in the country. The idea is to get land on some waterfornt, as the club has long desired to make booting one of its principal features. The new field will be claborately laid out, and will provide for special teams, sourts, cricket and baseball grounds. The club would like to secure a place similar to Travers' Island, but nearer the city and easier of access.

MEMBERS WHO HAVE WON ATHLETIC FAME. Among the cherry diamond athletes who have made famous records might be mentioned L. E. Myers, Frederick Westing, Edward Degrove Lange, T. P. Conneff, William B. Page, Joseph F. Donoghne, A. F. Copeland, John Fraser, Arthur G. Waldren, Charles E. Trotter, F. A. Ware, T. S. Waldren, Charles E. Trotter, F. A. Ware, T. S. Waldren, Charles E. Trotter, F. A. Ware, T. S. Waldren, Charles E. Trotter, F. A. Ware, T. S. Waldren, Charles E. Trotter, F. A. Ware, T. S. Waldren, Charles E. Trotter, F. A. Ware, T. S. Waldren, Charles E. Trotter, F. A. Ware, T. S. Waldren, Charles E. Trotter, F. A. Ware, T. S. Waldren, Charles E. Trotter, F. A. Ware, T. S. Waldren, Waldren, Charles E. Trotter, F. A. Ware, T. S. Waldren, Charles E. Trotter, F. A. Ware, T. S. Waldren, Waldren, Charl

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FREDERICK WESTING

O'Keefe, E. D. Jesurm, C. Lee Myers, O. Bodelsen, R. A. Keight, J. A. Kinebart, A. A. Jordan, James W. Walcott, W. M. Watson, R. Struthers, W. C. France, jr., J. S. Cudlipp, Leon Bacher and many others. "Jack" Goulding was the first trainer of the club, and a right careful and useful handler of athletes he was, too,

The club supports a bright little paper, called "The Manhattan Chronicle," of which Charles C. Hughes is the editor and publisher. Hughes is the editor and publisher.

AN UNCONSCIOUS PREFERENCE, MAYBE. From The Washington Post.

The important fact has been communicated to a wondering world that Clara Morris lives in a house which stands upon the line between New-York and Yonkers and that her bed is so situated that when she lies in it her head is in one city and her feet in the other. With the true artistic instinct, however, the reporter leaves ft to the imagination to suppose that on cold nights the charming actress cuddles her knees up under her chin and sleeps in one city

Theatre to morrow night promises to be. Mr. Mans-field and his company have been in town for a week, resting and preparing for the opening. Public interest seems, from the box office figures, to be at a high pitch, and the advance sale of seats has been extrem

large. "The Masked Ball" will be repeated at the Metropolitan Opera House to-morrow night, and the programme for the rest of the week is as follows: Wednesday, "H Trovatore"; Friday, "The Jewess"; Saturday afternoon, "The Masked Ball." The receipts at the opera house since the opening have been larger than for the corresponding time in any of the last three or four seasons.

Only one performance remains for "The Great Unknown," which has proved extremely popular as Daly's Theatre. On Tursday night another will be added to Mr. Daly's list of beautiful Shakespearean revivals. It will be " As You Like It," as everybody knows, and perhaps no play at this house has ever had more careful preparation. The first performance of this piece will also make the third of the series of subscription nights, which is meeting with no less

public favor than did the original series a year ago.

"Erminie" will stay at the Casino for only a
short time longer, as "The Brigards" is booked for
a return to the house on January 6. The latter opera was doing a prosperous business at the time it was withdrawn on account of road engagements.

Miss Marie Wainwright appears at the Fifth Avenue
Theatre to night for the first time as the sole head of
a company. The designs for the eleven scenes of

"Twelfth Night" were made by Hamilton Bell, and the scenes were painted by Charles Graham. Philio Goatcher, William Schaeffer and Gaspard Maeder, Incidental music has been arranged by Frank Howson, of the Madison Square Theatre, and a dance by Mme. Malvini, ballet mistress of Daly's Theatre.

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Ball' fill the Lyceum Theatre with all the people it can comfortably hold each evening. Extra matiness are already announced for Christmas and New Year's Days. The short engagement of William Redmund and Mrs.

The short engagement of william Redmont and And-Thomas Barry at the Star Theatre coded last night, and to-morrow evening their play will be succeeded by "The Twelve Temptations." It is a piece in which scenic effect has a large part, of the sort supposed to be peculiarly appropriate to the holidays. Shenandoah" will not leave Proctor's Twenty-third Street Theatre so soon as was expected. The present

intention is that it shall run till the first of February. The company that has been playing the piece in Chicago will be in Philadelphia for the holidays and will then go to California. "Aunt Jack" receives as many visitors as ever the Madison Square Theatre, and ene visit does not prevent a second or a third. It rather encourages them, and the later ones are quite as satisfactory as

and "Little Lord Fauntieroy" takes four of the five afternoons that are left,
"The seven Ages," at the Standard Theatre, is getting into what would seem to be a permanent shape.
Many changes may and doubtless will yet be made, but
a piece of this kind is subject to changes and they are often for the sake of change rather than for expected

" Aunt Jack" claims the Saturday matines

Herrmann's Transatiantic Vaudeville Company will make its third visit to the city this week, coming to the Fourteenth Street Theatre. Several new features are announced. Next week Herrmann himself will give his own peculiar entertainment at the same the

improvement.

"Kajanka" draws large audiences at Niblo's Garden and many seats have already been sold for Christmas and New Year's weeks. The managers announce that tickets may be had thirty days in advance.

"A Brass Monkey" will stay for a few weeks more at the Bijou Theatre, where it makes people laugh to about the same extent that it did a year ago, when it was new. Some of the new songs have found much favor, particularly "The Wild Man of Borneo."

Fairs" and Donald Downle will describe Ireland at the Union Square.

Miss Rese Ceghlan returns to this city to-morrow, and will rist all the week, resuming her tour on December 23 in Toronto. Miss Coghlan will not be seen in New York until February, when she will play a two weeks' engagement at the Fourteenth Street Theatre, appearing in a special production of Charles Coghlan's play, "Jocelyn."

Joseph Jefferson and W. J. Florence continue to meet with great success in "The Rivals," which they are to present in Baltimore to-morrow night. On Monday evening, December 23, these comedians begin an engagement of three nights at the Academy of Music in Brooklyn. It will be their first and only appearance in that city this season.

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"My Jack, a Story of Land and Sea," will be played for the first time in this country at the Grand Opera House on December 23. The author is Benjamin Landsck, who is only twentyone years old. The cast will include J. H. Gilmour, Wilton Lackaye, W. J. Ferguson, Dan Leeson, Russell Bassett, Lawrence Edd nger, Isabelie Eveston, Katherine Rogers and Emily Lytton, Matt Morgan is superintending the painting of the Senery.

William H. Crane has become convinced that "The Senator," by David D. Lloyd, should be made the leading piece of his repertory for the season. It will be played in New-York in a few weeks.

The "Great Med ronolls" begins its Western tour on December 23, in Cleveland, followed by engagements in Milwaukee, Chicago, Kansas City, St. Louis and Cincinnall.

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Mile. Rhea has arranged with Mr. Sawyer, of the Broadway Theatre, for the presentation of her rew play "Josephine, Empress of the French," at that house in March.

Mr. and Mrs. Kendal are in Boston and are meeting with the same degree of prospetity that they faund at the Fifth Avenue Theatre.

While Elchard Mansfeld stays at Palmer's Theatre he will give a number of new and old plays, besides "King Richard III." The first matinee will be next saturday, and the play Ibsen's "A Doll's Home." Among others that will be presented are "Dr. Jelyll and Mr. Hyde," and "Monsleur." "Beau Brummel' is in preparation but may not be given for some time.

W. J. Scanlan will not act this week. He resumes his tour on December 23, in Philadelphia, returning to this city at the Fourteenth Street Theatre on January 27, for an engacement of two weeks. He will be seen in "Myles Aroon" and "Shan na-Law."

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Augustus Pirou is in town superintending the pre-parations at the Fourteenth Street Theatre for a pro-duction of "The Corsican Brothers," in which Robert Mantell will make his first appearance in this city at Louis and Faldan dei Franchi.

M'GINTY WAS NOT SO BAD AS THAT. A few evenings ago four waifs were found in different parts of the city—one of them by a policeman near Eighty-A few evenings ago four waifs were found in different parts of the city—one of them by a policeman near Fighty-seventh-st, and Third-ave. This one was about a week old and the officer started down town with it, bearling a Third-ave, elevated train at the Fighty-fourth-st, station. He sat down in a seat near the door, and directly opposite say an old Irish woman, whose attention was immediately attracted by seeing a policeman carrying a baby. She jumped up and began questioning the officer in tones so jumped up and began questioning the officer in tones so lend that the score of people in the car could hear distinctly everything she said.

"Ain't it a durint?" she exclaimed.

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